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Mail Stop Non-Fee Amendment Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

Enclosed please find the following:

1. Reply to the Office Action of August 6, 2003 (12 pages total).

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fee deficiency, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 18-1579. The Commissioner is also authorized to charge Deposit Account No. 18-1579 for any future fees connected in any way to this application. Two copies of this letter are enclosed.

Respectfully submitted,

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Dear Sir:

In reply to the Office Action mailed August 6, 2003, Applicant respectfully requests entry of the following amendment and reconsideration based on the accompanying remarks.

Amendments to the claims begin on page 2.

Remarks begin on page 7.